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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5421**

File No. 198

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"AN ACT CONCERNING PROCEEDINGS AND OPERATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES."

- 1 Strike section 1 in its entirety and renumber the remaining sections
- 2 and internal references accordingly
- 3 In line 81, strike the opening and closing brackets and strike "show
- cause"
- In line 110, strike "," 5
- 6 In line 111, strike "certified relative caregiver"
- In line 188, strike ", certified relative caregivers" 7
- 8 In line 196, strike ", certified relative caregivers"
- 9 In line 205, strike "or certified as a relative caregiver"

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In line 227, strike "a home study" and insert "an assessment" in lieu

- 11 thereof
- 12 In line 230, strike "home study" and insert "assessment" in lieu
- 13 thereof
- 14 Strike lines 234 and 235 in their entirety and insert the following in
- 15 lieu thereof: "including any psychiatric or psychological records and
- 16 <u>may order</u>"
- 17 In line 238, strike "home study" and insert "assessment" in lieu
- 18 thereof
- In line 241, strike "home study" and insert "assessment" in lieu
- 20 thereof
- 21 Strike line 258 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 22 "intervene for purposes of seeking permanent guardianship"
- In line 265, strike "a home study" and insert "an assessment" in lieu
- 24 thereof
- In line 271, bracket "show cause" and after the closing bracket insert
- 26 "appear"
- 27 In line 314, insert an opening bracket before "care"
- In line 315, insert a closing bracket after "custody" and after the
- 29 closing bracket insert "legal guardianship"
- In line 321, strike "personal custody" and insert "legal guardianship"
- 31 in lieu thereof
- In line 322, after "parents or" insert "former"
- In line 324, strike "custody or" and insert "legal" in lieu thereof
- In line 326, strike "or certified as a relative caregiver"
- In line 330, strike "<u>custody and</u>" and insert "<u>legal</u>" in lieu thereof

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36 In line 333, strike "custody or" and insert "legal" in lieu thereof

- 37 In line 391, strike "or certified as a relative caregiver"
- 38 In line 405, bracket "and"
- In line 406, after "youth" insert ", and any intervenor"
- 40 Strike lines 418 to 420, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
- 41 following in lieu thereof: "with a relative licensed as a foster parent; [or
- 42 certified as a relative caregiver;] (D) filing of termination of parental
- 43 rights and adoption; [and filing of termination of parental rights;] or
- 44 (E) [such other] another planned permanent living arrangement
- 45 ordered by the"
- After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and
- 47 internal references accordingly:
- 48 "Sec. 501. Section 17a-126 of the general statutes is amended by
- 49 adding subsection (i) as follows (*Effective July 1, 2009*):
- (NEW) (i) In the case of the death, severe disability or serious illness
- of a relative caregiver who is receiving a guardianship subsidy, the
- 52 commissioner may transfer the guardianship subsidy to a new relative
- 53 caregiver who is licensed pursuant to section 17a-114.
- Sec. 502. Subsection (b) of section 17a-101 of the general statutes is
- repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July*
- 56 1, 2009):
- 57 (b) The following persons shall be mandated reporters: Any
- 58 physician or surgeon licensed under the provisions of chapter 370, any
- resident physician or intern in any hospital in this state, whether or not
- 60 so licensed, any registered nurse, licensed practical nurse, medical
- examiner, dentist, dental hygienist, psychologist, coach of intramural
- or interscholastic athletics, school teacher, school principal, school
- 63 guidance counselor, school paraprofessional, school coach, social
- 64 worker, police officer, juvenile or adult probation officer, juvenile or

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adult parole officer, member of the clergy, pharmacist, physical 65 66 chiropractor, podiatrist, mental health optometrist, 67 professional or physician assistant, any person who is a licensed or certified emergency medical services provider, any person who is a 68 69 licensed or certified alcohol and drug counselor, any person who is a 70 licensed marital and family therapist, any person who is a sexual 71 assault counselor or a battered women's counselor as defined in 72 section 52-146k, any person who is a licensed professional counselor, 73 any person who is a licensed foster parent, any person paid to care for 74 a child in any public or private facility, child day care center, group 75 day care home or family day care home licensed by the state, any 76 employee of the Department of Children and Families, any employee 77 of the Department of Public Health who is responsible for the licensing 78 of child day care centers, group day care homes, family day care 79 homes or youth camps, the Child Advocate and any employee of the 80 Office of Child Advocate."